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In re the application of:

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Dear Sir:

The references listed in the attached PTO Form 1449, copies of the non-U.S. references of which are attached, may be material to examination of the above-identified patent application. Applicants submit these references in compliance with their duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §§ 1.56 and 1.97. The Examiner is requested to consider these references and to acknowledge such consideration by initialing the attached PTO Form 1449 at the appropriate locations.

References L-P are in Japanese. The relevance of References L-P may be ascertained by reviewing References R-V, which are English language abstracts of References L-P, respectively. In addition, Reference A is believed to be an English-language equivalent of Reference M.

Applicants state that the references listed in the attached PTO Form 1449 were cited in a communication in a counterpart Japanese application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement (IDS). As this IDS is being filed after the issuance of a Notice of Allowance (but before payment of the issue fee), the fee of \$180.00 set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is attached hereto. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees that may be due to our Deposit Account No. 50-0805 (Order No. YOKOP014).

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